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SUBJECT: OPTICAL EQUIPMENT FOR SOUTH AFRICA

REF: PRETORIA 2283

1. OFFICE OF MUNITIONS CONTROL (PM/MC) HAS HAD UNDER CONSIDERATION THREE APPLICATIONS BY BAUSCH AND LOMB FOR LICENSES TO EXPORT TO SOUTH AFRICA ZOOM TRANSFERSCOPIES; ITEMS ON MUNITIONS LIST (M.L.) CONSIGNEE IN SOUTH AFRICA IN SPECTRO SERVICES.
2. FIRST APPLICATION WAS TO SELL SCOPE TO SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE. AS SCOPE IS M.L. ITEM THIS APPLICATION WAS DISAPPROVED ON JUNE 26, AS CONTRARY OUR EMBARGO ON EXPORT OF M.L. ITEMS TO SOUTH AFRICAN DEFENSE FORCES.
3. SECOND AND THIRD APPLICATIONS WERE FOR SALES, RESPECTIVELY, TO: (A) BOTANICAL GARDENS, PRETORIA FOR USE IN STUDY OF EFFECT OF FIRE ON VEGETATION AND, (B) UNIVERSITY FOR C.H.E., DEPT. OF GEOGRAPHY, POTCHEFSTROOM FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES - TEACHING STUDENTS HOW TO UP-DATE MAPS.

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4. DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO APPROVING SECOND AND

THIRD APPLICATIONS, BUT HAS ASKED BAUSCH AND LOMB TO OBTAIN
FROM SPECTRO SERVICES ASSURANCES THAT, IF EXPORTED, SCOPES

WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY OTHER PARTY WITHIN SOUTH
AFRICA.

5. PURPOSE OF THIS REQUEST IS TO ASSURE THAT SPECTRO
SERVICES DOES NOT DIVERT SCOPES INADVERTENTLY OR
OTHERWISE, INTENDED FOR BOTANICAL GARDENS AND UNIVERSITY
TO DEFENSE FORCES IN VIEW OF EMBARGO.

6. WITH THESE ASSURANCES IN HAND, DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED
TO CONTINUE PROCESSING BAUSCH AND LOMB'S SECOND AND THIRD
APPLICATIONS. INGERSOLL

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